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3                   A block sequence compiler for compiling a sequence of  
4 audio and/or video blocks (e.g., audio tracks, MIDI, video clips,  
5 animation, etc.) suitable for producing one or more audio and/or  
6 video output sequences (i.e., audio, video, or multimedia) each  
7 having a duration corresponding to user-prescribed criteria. In  
8 a preferred embodiment, a user chooses an audio and/or video  
9 source segment from a predefined library and prescribes the  
10 duration of an audio and/or video sequence. Prior to depositing  
11 each audio and/or video segment in the library, the segment is  
12 partitioned into audio and/or video blocks that are identified in  
13 a corresponding characteristic data table with characteristics  
14 including (1) duration, (2) suitability for being used as a  
15 beginning or ending of an audio and/or video sequence, and (3)  
16 compatibility with each block. Using this characteristic table  
17 and the user-prescribed criteria, i.e., duration, the block  
18 sequence compiler generates a plurality of audio and/or video  
19 sequences satisfying the user-prescribed criteria which can be  
20 reviewed, e.g., played, and/or saved for future use.

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